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The 20 chapters in this book focus on the creation of environmentally safe and healthy school buildings and grounds and on what school administrators, teachers, maintenance staff, students, community leaders and parents can do to meet this goal. The guide functions as an introduction to environmental problems and issues relevant to schools, provides resources for further investigation, and suggests ways to incorporate the information into daily instruction. Outlines at the beginning of each chapter are included to ensure accessible reference. A broad range of topics including environment and health issues, toxic materials and pesticides, nutrition and the environment, water, energy, recycling and source reduction are covered. Chapters 1 through 17 present basic facts so that environmentally educated decisions can be made in the operation of school buildings and classrooms. Chapter 18 contains both student- and teacher-suggested activities, including examples of what other schools, individuals, and organizations are doing. Chapters 19 and 20 list curricula, books for children and adult use, videos and state-by-state agency resources. The book also provides telephone numbers and addresses of government agencies, organizations, hotlines, companies, and individuals, and more than 360 charts, graphs, tables, and pictograms. (LL)

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